

Thursday, October 23 2003

Chairman Michael K. Powell  
445 12th Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20554

VIA FACSIMILE

Dear Chairman Powell,

I truly believe that the "broadcast flag" will restrict the ways that I currently watch television. I want to be able to space-shift and time-shift any television show that is broadcast over public airwaves into my home.

Additionally, I believe that the Broadcast flag will give too much power to the MPAA - allowing them to dictate "acceptable" technological progress through the approval of various restriction mechanisms.

As a citizen and consumer of broadcast television, I urge you to oppose the broadcast flag.

Sincerely,

Robert Schommer Woodinville, WA

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Robert H. Schommer  
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Woodinville, WA 98072

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I want the right to record any digital television program I desire, at any time I desire, as long as it's for my own personal use. I have no intention of copying, selling, providing or uploading any television content.

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Dear Chairman Powell,

Please, don't let these small but very rich special interest groups continue to buy away the basic freedoms and fair use of the American people from the government. Don't sell your soul to the MPAA. You'll never get it back.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Williamson, concerned citizen

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I believe that it is essential to innovation in the consumer electronics industry that consumers retain the rights they have now to record and view television for later viewing. By making consumers fit their viewing schedule to the whims of the broadcasters would be a major step backwards for me and all consumers.

Sincerely,

Mike Koss  
3614 Hunts Point Road  
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Most especially several programs I wish to watch are only aired late at night. As I have to get up and go to work every morning at 7 am, I can't stay up often to watch my programs at 1 in the morning. As I understand the current laws I am allowed to record these shows so long as I erase them within 24 hours. How will this broadcast flag affect these programs? Will I only be able to watch my favorite shows if I am willing to stay home and awake at those hours? Does that mean that I must miss several of my shows just because the MPAA wishes me to be at their beck and call?

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I'd like to voice my opinion against the adoption of a FCC mandated digital rights management system, or a "broadcast flag". I believe this capability will not only severely restrict the evolution and growth of television as a communications medium, but will also gravely inhibit innovation and put our country at a disadvantage in the evolution of mass communications medium and entertainment in a global forum.

Precisely this innovation is what will drive the digital television market, fostering innovative new ways in which to view content which will in turn help drive the sales of new equipment, a market which would otherwise stagnate as consumers realized that digital televisions imposed more restrictions than it removed and hence failed to justify the sticker prices it commanded.

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You have probably seen several copies of this exact same letter by now, but I assure you that it is heartfelt and that I, Jarett DeAngelis, strongly believe legislating the broadcast flag is a really, really bad idea.

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Jarett DeAngelis  
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Staten Island, NY 10306

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Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91737

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Government needs to stay out of our lives, not allow media companies to tell us what or when we can record content for our own use.

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Larry Towers  
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